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MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF GREENSBORO, N. C.

REGULAR MEETING:

21 October 2003

The City Council of the City of Greensboro met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on the above date in the Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building with the following members present: Mayor Keith A. Holliday, presiding; Councilmembers Sandra G. Carmany, Florence F. Gatten, Belvin J. Jessup, Yvonne J. Johnson, Robert V. Perkins, Thomas M. Phillips and Donald R. Vaughan. Absent: Councilmember Claudette Burroughs-White. Also present were J. Edward Kitchen, City Manager; Linda A. Miles, City Attorney; and Susan E. Crotts, Deputy City Clerk.

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The meeting was opened with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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The City Manager recognized Sherry Carson, employee in the Finance Department, who served as courier for the meeting.

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Mayor Holliday outlined Council procedure for conduct of the meeting.

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Councilmember Johnson moved that Councilmember Burroughs-White be excused from attendance at the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vaughan and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

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The Mayor stated that this was the time and place set for a public hearing to consider an ordinance rezoning from RS-5 Residential Single Family to Conditional District - RM-26 Residential Multifamily with uses limited to a single family dwelling or day care center and accessory uses for property located on the west side of Joseph McNeil Avenue between McKnight Mill Road and Blair-Khazan Drive. He stated this matter was being heard on appeal filed by Regina L. Joyner after receiving a vote of 0-8 by the Zoning Commission to recommend denial of the rezoning.

C. Thomas Martin, Planning Department Director, stated this request was unanimously denied by the Zoning Commission and that the Planning Department recommended denial. He presented a land use map of the property and surrounding area and slides to illustrate the limited space for a proposed parking lot.

Mayor Holliday asked if anyone wished to be heard.

Regina Joyner, residing at 2004 Joseph McNeil Avenue, stated she was appealing the decision of the Zoning Commission because current restrictions allowed her to keep up to eight children and she believed there was a need in her neighborhood for the expansion of her business.

In response to questions from Council, Ms. Joyner advised that she provided day care for first, second and third shift workers; hoped to provide day care services for up to thirty children; planned to have a parking lot in her back yard; would not live in the home if that were prohibited by the expansion of her business; and knew of no neighborhood opposition to her proposal.

There being no other speakers, Councilmember Phillips moved to close the public hearing. The motion was

seconded by Councilmember Carmany and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

Mr. Martin explained why a commercial day care operation was prohibited in residential areas and advised that adoption of this proposal would, in his opinion, constitute spot zoning. He provided the following staff recommendation.

Item 5 – Joseph McNeil Avenue

The Planning Department recommends that this request be denied.

This area is mapped as Moderate Residential (6-12 dwelling units per acre).

Staff feels that it would be arbitrary to single out this one lot for a different zoning classification and that a commercial day care center at this location would be too intensive a use and incompatible with the neighborhood.

The lot is very small and it is doubtful that a commercial driveway permit could be issued.

Furthermore, the property owner would be required to pave and stripe a minimum of five off-street parking spaces for the day care operation and staff feels that a paved parking lot is inconsistent and out of character with single family land use in this small-lot subdivision.

Similar requests for a day care facility in a single family neighborhood at East Side Drive/Douglas Street and at Julian Street/Benjamin Benson Street were denied by the Zoning Commission in January and February of this year, respectively, for similar reasons.

After several Council members stated they could not support the rezoning request because it would conflict with the requirements for a residential neighborhood, Councilmember Gatten moved that the ordinance be DENIED. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips; the ordinance was DEFEATED on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Carmany, Gatten, Holliday, Johnson, Perkins, Phillips and Vaughan. Noes: Jessup.

(A copy of the ordinance as introduced and DEFEATED is filed in Exhibit Drawer O, Exhibit # 15, and is hereby referred to and made a part of the minutes.)

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Mayor Holliday stated that this was the time and place set for a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending in the amount of \$72,000 Nussbaum Housing Partnership Fund Budget for FY 2003-04 Camel Street Apartments activities, and so that these matters could be discussed together, he introduced an ordinance amending in the amount of \$178,000 Community Development Block Grant Fund Budget for FY 2003-04 Camel Street Apartments activities.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak to these matters. No one present wished to be heard.

Councilmember Johnson moved adoption of the ordinance amending Nussbaum Housing Partnership Fund Budget for FY 2003-04 Camel Street apartments activities. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vaughan; the ordinance was adopted on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Carmany, Gatten, Holliday, Jessup, Johnson, Perkins, Phillips and Vaughan. Noes: None.

03-235 ORDINANCE AMENDING NUSSBAUM HOUSING PARTNERSHIP FUND BUDGET FOR FY 2003-04
CAMEL STREET APARTMENTS ACTIVITIES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the Nussbaum Housing Partnership Fund of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriation for the Nussbaum Housing Partnership Fund be increased as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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211-2202-51.5422	Contracted Maintenance – Buildings and Grounds	<u>\$72,000</u>
Total		\$72,000

and that this increase be financed by increasing the Nussbaum Housing Partnership Fund account as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
211-0000-00.8900	Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>\$72,000</u>
Total		\$72,000

(Signed) Yvonne J. Johnson

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Councilmember Carmany moved an ordinance amending Community Development Block Grant Fund Budget for FY 2003-04 Camel Street Apartments Activities. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vaughan; the ordinance was adopted on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Carmany, Gatten, Holliday, Jessup, Johnson, Perkins, Phillips and Vaughan. Noes: None.

03-236 ORDINANCE AMENDING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND BUDGET FOR FY 2003-04 CAMEL STREET APARTMENTS ACTIVITIES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That Community Development Block Grant Fund of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriation for the Community Development Block Grant Fund be increased as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
212-2098-43.5284	Relocation	\$2,000
212-2098-43.5287	Property Management	\$15,000
212-2098-43.5422	Contracted Maintenance - Buildings and Grounds	<u>\$161,000</u>
Total		\$178,000

and that this increase be financed by increasing the Community Development Block Grant Fund account:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
212-2098-43.7420	Mortgage Collections - Rehabilitation	\$106,000
212-2098-43.7421	Interest Collected – Rehab Mortgages	<u>\$72,000</u>
Total		\$178,000

(Signed) Sandra G. Carmany

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Moving to the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Gatten moved that the Consent Agenda be amended by removing Item 9 for discussion prior to consideration. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carmany and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

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Councilmember Gatten moved adoption of the amended Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carmany; the amended Consent Agenda was adopted on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Carmany, Gatten, Holliday, Jessup, Johnson, Perkins, Phillips. Noes: None.

03-237 AMENDING CHAPTER 2

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE GREENSBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO COUNCIL MEETINGS

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Greensboro:

Section 1. That Section 2-16 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by changing two regular meeting dates of the City Council in 2004 as follows:

"The August 3 meeting shall be held on August 2 in order to observe National Night Out." and "The July 6 meeting shall be cancelled."

Section 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict of the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

(Signed) Florence F. Gatten

(This ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances with respect to City Council meetings was amended to reflect the adoption of the 2004 Council meeting Schedule with regard to cancellation of the July 6, 2003 Council meeting).

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222-03 RESOLUTION APPROVING APPRAISAL AND AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF PROPERTY OF THE MOSES H. CONE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR THE STONEY CREEK WATER PUMP STATION

WHEREAS, in connection with the Stoney Creek Water Pump Station improvements project, the property owned by the Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital, Tax Map No. 18-1175-176-20 is required by the City for said Project, said property being shown on the attached map;

WHEREAS, the required property has been appraised at a value of \$75,971.00, which appraisal, in the opinion of the City Council, is fair and reasonable;

WHEREAS, the owner has agreed to convey said property to the City at the appraised price and it is deemed in the best interest of the City to acquire said property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the appraisal of the above mentioned portion of property in the amount of \$75,971.00 is hereby approved, and the purchase of the property in accordance with the appraisal is hereby authorized, payment to be made from Account No. 503-7012-02.6011 CBR 002.

(Signed) Florence F. Gatten

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223-03 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER IN CONTRACT NO. 2002-57 WITH BROOKS GENERAL CONTRACTORS FOR THE DISTRICT 3 POLICE STATION IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, Contract No. 2002-57 with Brooks General Contractors provides for the interior renovations of the existing building at 300 Swing Road for the District 3 Police Station;

WHEREAS, the electrical requirements for coordination with the security systems need to be added, thereby necessitating a change order in the contract in the amount of \$35,967.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That a change order in the above-mentioned contract with Brooks General Contractors for the District 3 Police Station Improvements is hereby authorized at a total cost of \$35,967.00, payment of said additional amount to be made from Account No. 220-3583-01.5235.

(Signed) Florence F. Gatten

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224-03 RESOLUTION APPROVING BID AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NO. 2002-04 WITH THALLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE REEDY FORK SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, after due notice, bids have been received for the Reedy Fork Sanitary Sewer improvements project;

WHEREAS, Thalle Construction Company, a responsible bidder, has submitted the low base and alternate bid in the total amount of \$3,995,491.00 as general contractor for Contract No. 2002-04, which bid, in the opinion of the City Council, is the best bid from the standpoint of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the bid hereinabove mentioned submitted by Thalle Construction Company is hereby accepted, and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Greensboro a proper contract to carry the proposal into effect, payment to be made from Account No. 510-7044-04.6019, Lawson #03196.

(Signed) Florence F. Gatten

(A tabulation of bids for Contract No. 2002-04 for the Reedy Fork Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project is filed with the above resolution and is hereby referred to and made a part of the minutes.)

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225-03 RESOLUTION GRANTING AN ENROACHMENT ON THE STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO AS FOLLOWS: ENTRYWAY SIGN IN A PORTION OF McIVER STREET

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro has requested an encroachment agreement from the City for a University sign at the southeastern corner of the intersection at McIver Street and West Market Street in order to serve the University needs;

WHEREAS, plans have been submitted to the City staff for approval of the construction of the 5 foot wide by 24 foot long University sign;

WHEREAS, following installation, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, will provide the necessary repair, if any, of the street in compliance with City standards;

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro as a "governmental institution", is excluded from paying an encroachment fee pursuant to Greensboro Code of Ordinances, Section 28.1-18 (a) (7) and NCGS 160A-274;

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro understands that this encroachment is not for resale and cannot exist as an income producing encroachment. When this right-of-way use is no longer needed, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro will be responsible for the removal of infrastructure and an inspection of this site is required by the City of Greensboro, prior to City Council review, in order to terminate the agreement. Inspection fees will be charged according to the current pricing structure.

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the City Council, such encroachment easement for the installation of the University sign will neither cause a public nuisance nor unreasonably interfere with the use of the streets and sidewalks by the public.

NOW THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That pursuant to Section 4.128(c) of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, upon the execution of an encroachment agreement prepared by the City Attorney, shall be authorized to encroach in the above described street right-of-way for the University sign at the southeastern corner of the intersection at McIver Street and West Market Street as shown on the attached map.

(Signed) Florence F. Gatten

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Motion to approve report of budget adjustments for period September 1-30, 2003 was unanimously adopted. (The report is filed in Exhibit Drawer O, Exhibit #1 and is hereby referred to and made a part of the minutes.)

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Referring to the 2004 Council meeting schedule (Item 9), Councilmember Gatten proposed that the schedule be amended by canceling the July 6 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carmany; the schedule was amended by unanimous voice vote of Council.

Councilmember Gatten thereupon moved adoption of the amended 2004 Council meeting schedule. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carmany; the amended schedule was adopted on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Carmany, Gatten, Holliday, Jessup, Johnson, Perkins, Phillips and Vaughan. Noes: None.

2004 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

January 6	
January 20	
February 3	
February 17	
March 2	
March 16	
April 6	
April 20	
May 4	
May 18	
June 1	
June 15	
July 6	CANCELLED
July 20	
August 2 (Monday)	Changed from August 3 in order to observe Police National Night Out
August 17	
September 7	
September 21	
October 5	
October 19	

November 2
November 16
December 7
December 21

Council Meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 West Washington Street, Greensboro, NC, unless otherwise noted.

2004 COUNCIL BRIEFING DATES

January 27
February 24
March 23
April 27
May 25
June 22
July 27
August 24
September 28
October 26
November 23
December

No briefing

Council briefings are held at 9:00 a.m. in the Plaza Level Conference Room in the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 West Washington Street, Greensboro, NC, unless otherwise noted.

The date or time of the Council meetings and briefings may be changed if deemed necessary by the City Council.

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Mayor Holliday introduced an ordinance amending Chapter 11 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances with respect to Housing Code.

The City Attorney stated that this ordinance clarified legislation in the legislative packet for a local bill allowing the City to require people to repair or tear down dwellings and advised that this prevented the boarding up of buildings.

Patrick Downs, residing at 426 West Friendly Avenue, stated he was co-chair of the Neighborhood Congress and offered his opinion that citizens across the City had not had an opportunity to review the proposal; he expressed concern that the ordinance could negatively impact historic district properties.

Walter "Butch" Simmons, Director of the Engineering and Inspections Department, spoke to the processes that had been followed for notification and dissemination of information pertaining to this item. He noted that the Neighborhood Congress had been included in this process with numerous other community associations such as Triad Real Estate Building and Industry Coalition, Greensboro Housing Coalition, Triad Apartment Association, etc. Mr. Simmons advised that enabling legislation had been obtained in May of 2003 eliminated the rights of property owners to board up dilapidated dwellings for a period of one year which resulted in the options to repair or demolish dilapidated dwellings.

During discussion, the Mayor stated that this ordinance did not apply to historic districts.

David Hoggard, residing at 108 Cypress Avenue, stated he had concerns that the ordinance would negatively impact historic structures located outside historic districts. He requested Council to involve Preservation Greensboro to add language to the ordinance to give what he considered important properties a chance to be saved.

At the request of Council, Mr. Simmons explained that the appeal process for property owners involved the Housing

Commission and the Courts, but did not involve the City Council.

Beth McKee Huger, residing at 408 Woodlawn Avenue, expressed her strong support for the ordinance and spoke to the reasons she believed the ordinance would improve safety of community residents. She stated that Greensboro had received national recognition for its leadership in housing safety and community improvements and advised that she planned to present Greensboro's work at an upcoming national health conference in Atlanta at the Center for Disease Control.

Councilmember Gatten moved adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson; the ordinance was adopted on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Carmany, Gatten, Holliday, Johnson, Jessup, Perkins, Phillips and Vaughan. Noes: None.

03-238 AMENDING CHAPTER 11

AN ORDINANCE CLARIFYING SECTION 11-40 OF CHAPTER 11 OF THE GREENSBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO HOUSING CODE

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Greensboro:

Section 1. That Chapter 11, Sections 39(b) and (b)(1) are hereby amended by rewriting said sections to read as follows:

(b) If, after such notice and hearing, the inspector determines that the building under consideration is unfit for human habitation in accordance with the standards herein set forth, he shall state in writing his findings of fact in support of such determination, and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner thereof an order. In addition, the inspector shall cause notice of the order to repair the building or otherwise demolish to be mailed by first class mail to any organization involved in providing or restoring dwellings for affordable housing that has filed a written request for such notices. Such orders shall be mailed at least forty-five (45) days before the inspector may cause such building to be demolished, in order to allow the opportunity for any organization to negotiate with the owner to make repairs, lease, or purchase the property for the purpose of providing affordable housing. The inspector or city clerk shall certify the mailing of the notices, and the certification shall be conclusive in the absence of fraud. Only an organization that has filed a written request for such notices may raise the issue of failure to mail such notices, and the sole remedy shall be an order requiring the inspector to wait forty-five (45) days before causing removal or demolition. The order shall require the owner, within a reasonable time fixed by the inspector, but not less than thirty (30) days nor more than two hundred seventy (270) days, to make such repairs, alterations or improvements necessary to correct existing violations of the minimum standards and requirements set forth in this chapter; provided that the order shall further state that if the owner does not make the necessary repairs to correct existing violations as specified in the order, the owner shall, within the same reasonable time period, either:

(1) Repair, alter or improve the building, if the repair, alteration or improvement ordered would cost less than fifty (50) percent of the present value of the building; or,

Section 2. That Chapter 11, Section 39(c) is hereby amended by rewriting said section to read as follows:

(c) If the owner of a building fails to comply with order to repair, alter or improve the building, the inspector may cause such building to be repaired, altered or improved, or to be demolished; provided, that after the building has become vacant, the inspector may cause the water service to said building to be discontinued until such time as there is compliance with the order. The inspector shall cause to be posted on the main entrance of any building so closed a placard with the following words:

“This building is unfit for human habitation; the use of occupancy of this building for the human habitation is prohibited and unlawful.”

Section 3. That Chapter 11, Section 39(e) is hereby amended by rewriting said section to read as follows:

(e) The amount of the cost of such repairs, alterations, improvements, and demolition by inspector shall be a lien against the real property upon which such cost was incurred; said lien shall be filed, have the same priority and be collected or foreclosed upon in the same manner as is provided for assessments for local improvements. The

property owner shall have the option of paying for the cost of demolition either in cash or in five (5) equal annual installments with such installments bearing interest at the rate of six (6) percent per annum from the date of the filing of the lien. If any cost is not paid in cash, the first installment, with interest, shall become due and payable thirty (30) days after the date of the filing of the lien, and one (1) subsequent installment and interest shall be due and payable on the same day of the month in each successive year until the cost is paid in full. If any installment with interest is not paid when due, it shall be subject to the same penalties as are now prescribed by law for unpaid assessments, in addition to the interest herein provided for, and, in addition, all of the installments remaining unpaid shall at once become due and payable and the property may be sold in the same manner as now prescribed by law for the sale of land for unpaid taxes. The whole cost of the demolition may be paid at the time of paying any installment by payment of the principal and all interest accrued to that date. If the building is demolished by the inspector, he shall sell the materials of such building and any personal property, fixtures or appurtenances found in or attached to the dwelling and shall credit the proceeds of such sale against the cost of demolition, and any balance shall be deposited in the superior court of the county by the inspector, to be secured in such manner as may be directed by such court and disbursed by the court to the persons found to be entitled thereto by final order or decree by such court.

Section 4. That Chapter 11, Section 39(g) is hereby amended by rewriting said section to read as follows:

(g) For the purposes of fixing the value of dwellings, when a building containing multifamily residential structures is inspected pursuant to this chapter, the inspector shall fix a reasonable value of the total building rather than individual dwelling units contained within any such building. The value of the total building shall be used in determining whether the building should be repaired, altered or improved, or demolished and removed. The inspector may fix a reasonable value of any building for the purpose of this section and such value shall be binding, unless the owner protests such value in writing to the inspector within ten (10) days after receipt of an order.

Section 5. That Chapter 11, Section 39(h) is hereby amended by rewriting the first two paragraphs of said section to read as follows:

(h) Whenever the minimum housing standards commission shall have adopted an ordinance or other decree or the inspector shall have commenced proceedings under the housing code regarding a dwelling to be repaired or demolished, and the owner has failed to cause such dwelling to be repaired or demolished; provided, the minimum housing standards commission shall first find that the owner has abandoned the intent and purpose to repair, alter or improve the dwelling in order to render it fit for human habitation and that the continuation of the dwelling in its (dilapidated) status would be inimical to the health, safety, morals and welfare of the municipality in that the dwelling would continue to deteriorate, would create a fire and safety hazard, would be a threat to children and vagrants, would attract persons intent on criminal activities, would cause or contribute to blight and the deterioration of property values in the area, and would render unavailable property and a dwelling which might otherwise have been made available to ease the persistent shortage of decent and affordable housing in this state.

In such circumstances, the minimum housing standards commission may enact a resolution or other decree and serve such order upon the owner, requiring that the owner, either:

Section 6. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

(Signed) Florence F. Gatten

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Robert Stutts, residing at 3413 Yanceyville Street, stated he was a former City employee and spoke to his feelings and personnel issues related to his previous employment. He presented a letter to the City Manager with copies to City Council that referred to his personnel issues.

Reginald Whitsett, residing at 2610 Sir Walter Road, spoke to his experience with cars towed from his home due to Local Ordinance violations and subsequent difficulties he had with recovering the vehicles from the towing company.

During discussion, the City Attorney and Mr. Simmons advised that the City had acted in compliance with the Code and had worked to assist Mr. Whitsett within the scope of their purview to resolve his concerns. They stated that the matter had become a civil dispute between Mr. Whitsett and the towing company. After additional discussion with Mr. Whitsett, Council requested Local Ordinance Enforcement staff to provide records from the City concerning Mr. Whitsett's violations. Councilmember Johnson explained that these records could assist Mr. Whitsett if he wished to seek mediation of his concerns through a non-City entity.

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Councilmember Johnson confirmed that the names of Margaret Benjamin and George Canada were in the boards and commissions data bank.

Councilmember Johnson placed the name of Anita Dawkins in the boards and commissions data bank.

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Councilmember Phillips added the name of Jeff Nimmer to the boards and commissions data bank.

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Councilmember Phillips requested that staff develop revisions to the Street Connectivity Ordinance for Council's consideration to change procedures when there is no compelling reason to connect. Councilmember Perkins encouraged streamlining development processes involving the engineering and review of proposals by the Zoning Commission, Transportation Advisory Committee, Planning Board, City Council, etc. The City Manager advised that staff would present options to address these aspects of the Street Connectivity Ordinance for Council's review at the November 25th Council Briefing.

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Councilmember Carmany moved that Peter Kauber be appointed to the Connections 2025 Monitoring Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gatten and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

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Councilmember Jessup moved that Philbert T. Neal be appointed to serve a term on the Greensboro Transit Authority in the position formerly held by Joyce Johnson; this term will expire 15 August 2006. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

Councilmember Jessup moved that Cassandra Rogers be appointed to fill the unexpired portion of term of Sandra J. Hunt, resigned, on the Commission on the Status of Women; this term will expire 15 August 2005. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

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Councilmember Jessup requested that the Clerk research attendance of the Minimum Housing Standards Commission so that appropriate action could be taken to address meeting attendance.

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Councilmember Vaughan moved that Sissy Hall be appointed to fill a vacancy on the Morehead Commission. Following brief Council discussion with respect to district representation, Councilmember Vaughan requested that the Clerk report back to Council on whether prior action had been taken to appoint Sissy Hall to the Morehead Commission. The motion died for lack of a second. No action was taken.

Council discussed numerous recent and upcoming community events of interest.

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Councilmember Perkins reported on positive economic indicators in Greensboro identified by the Chief Executive Officer of the Bank of America Corporation in a speech given at a recent Chamber of Commerce presentation. After Council expressed agreement that this information would be of value to the public, the Mayor requested that the speech be provided to the Greensboro News and Record.

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Beth McKee Huger, residing at 408 Woodlawn Avenue, stated she was Chair of the Minimum Housing Standards Commission and elaborated on the Commission's recent difficulties in holding a quorum to meet due to two unfilled vacancies on the board combined with lack of attendance by some board members. She requested Council to fill the positions as soon as possible.

Councilmember Gatten requested that Council prepare to discuss the filling of these vacancies at the October 28th Council briefing.

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The City Manager requested that Council make their remaining appointments to the Comprehensive Plan Monitoring Committee at the November 8, 2003 meeting so that the Committee could begin to move forward with its work.

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Councilmember Johnson moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carmany and unanimously adopted by voice vote of Council.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:55 P.M.

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SUSAN E. CROTTS
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

KEITH A. HOLLIDAY
MAYOR
